

1-1 By: Bonnen, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Middleton) H.J.R. No. 134
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 11, 2023;
1-3 May 11, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Local
1-4 Government; May 12, 2023, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 6, Nays 1; May 12, 2023, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

1-7		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-8	Bettencourt	X			
1-9	Springer	X			
1-10	Eckhardt			X	
1-11	Gutierrez			X	
1-12	Hall	X			
1-13	Nichols	X			
1-14	Parker	X			
1-15	Paxton	X			
1-16	West		X		

1-17 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

1-18 proposing a constitutional amendment to abolish the office of
1-19 county treasurer of Galveston County.

1-20 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-21 SECTION 1. Section 44, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is
1-22 amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

1-23 (d) The office of County Treasurer in Galveston County is
1-24 abolished. The Commissioners Court of Galveston County may employ
1-25 or contract with a qualified person or may designate another county
1-26 officer to perform any of the functions that would have been
1-27 performed by the County Treasurer if the office had not been
1-28 abolished.

1-29 SECTION 2. The following temporary provision is added to
1-30 the Texas Constitution:

1-31 TEMPORARY PROVISION. (a) The constitutional amendment
1-32 proposed by the 88th Legislature, Regular Session, 2023, abolishing
1-33 the office of County Treasurer in Galveston County takes effect
1-34 only if, at the statewide election at which the amendment is
1-35 submitted to and approved by the voters, a majority of the voters of
1-36 Galveston County voting on the question at that election also favor
1-37 the amendment. The amendment takes effect January 1, 2024, if the
1-38 conditions of this subsection are met.

1-39 (b) This temporary provision expires January 2, 2024.

1-40 SECTION 3. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
1-41 submitted to the voters at an election to be held on November 7,
1-42 2023. The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against
1-43 the proposition: "The constitutional amendment providing for the
1-44 abolition of the office of county treasurer in Galveston County."

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